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1. AVRAHAM AGMON, DIRECTOR GENERAL, RESIGNED EFFECTIVE JUNE 1; HIS NEW POSITION WILL BE DIRECTOR OF A OFFICE ESPECIALLY ESTABLISHED TO HANDLE PROBLEMS OF ARAB ECONOMIC BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL. NEW OFFICE'S ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS NOT YET SPELLED OUT, BUT AGMON WILL SUBMIT PLANS TO CABINET WITHIN THREE MONTHS. ALTHOUGH AGMON HAD PLANNED TO BECOME MANAGING DIRECTOR OF ISRAEL CORPORATION B (ICB), OPPOSITION BOTH IN PUBLIC OPINION AND THE KNESSET TO ONE OF THOSE INVOLVED IN ESTABLISHING ICB MOVING INTO ITS DIRECTORATE REPORTEDLY CHANGED HIS PLANS. THE OPPOSITION WAS BASED ON A LAW PROVIDING FOR A ONE-YEAR COOLING-OFF PERIOD FOR SENIOR CIVIL SERVANTS BEFORE ACCEPTING POSITIONS OUTSIDE THE SERVICE BUT CLOSELY RELATED TO THEIR PREVIOUS JOBS.

2. NEW DIRECTOR GENERAL WILL BE ARNON GAFNI, FORMER DIRECTOR OF BUDGETS, WHO IN TURN WILL BE REPLACED BY SAR-SHALOM SHIRAN, FORMERLY HEAD OF THE ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL DIVISION OF MILITARY INDUSTRIES.
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